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SUBJECT: MENNONITE MISSIONARY TEACHING CONTRACTS TERMINATED

1. REPRESENTATIVE FROM SOMALIA MENNONITE MISSION IN MOGADISCIO ADVISED AMBASSADOR APRIL 29 THAT MENNONITE MISSION HAD BEEN GIVEN NOTICE BY MINISTRY OF EDUCATION THAT ALL TEACHING CONTRACTS FOR MISSION PERSONNEL TERMINATED EFFECTIVE MAY 7. MENNONITE MISSION PERSONNEL ASKED TO LEAVE SOMALIA WITHIN 30 DAYS.

2. CANCELLATION OF TEACHING CONTRACTS HAS BEEN EXPECTED FOR SOME TIME. CANCELLATION WILL MEAN, IN EFFECT, TERMINATION OF MENNONITE MISSION ACTIVITIES IN SOMALIA. MISSION REPRESENTATIVE BELIEVES THAT TERMINATION WILL PROCEED IN ORDERLY FASHION WITHIN THE TIME FRAME GIVEN BY GSDR.

3. AT PRESENT TIME, WE ESTIMATE THAT THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 12 AMERICAN CITIZENS INVOLVED IN THE WORK OF THE MENNONITE MISSION IN SOMALIA. THEY REPRESENT EASTERN MENNONITE BOARD OF MISSIONS IN SALUNGA, PA. THEY HAVE DONE AN EFFECTIVE JOB HERE OVER THE PAST YEARS AND WILL BE MISSED.
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